

Why Tester would eat Rosendale alive

Montana Republicans want to replace Senator Tester. To do so, they must nominate their best candidate on June 5.

If Republicans nominate Rosendale or Olszewski on June 5, then Republicans will assure Senator Tester gets another six years.

Why? Because Rosendale and Olszewski oppose the [Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes Water Compact](#) and 80 percent of Montana voters want the Compact. Even President Trump will not be able to save Rosendale or Olszewski.

To understand the Compact controversy, Republicans must understand their own party.

The very vocal “Tea Party” Republicans oppose the Compact. They represent only 20 percent of Republican voters, or 10 percent of Montana voters. Rosendale or Olszewski are Tea Party Republicans.

Tea Party Republicans did not support Zinke for Congress. They wanted Cruz for President. They voted Libertarian in 2006 and 2012 to elect Tester to the US Senate. They want gravel roads rather than gas taxes. They want Montanans to pay \$2 billion to fight water-rights lawsuits rather than approve the Compact. They claim the Compact is unconstitutional, disagreeing with the Montana Supreme Court.

Come November, most Republicans, most voters in major farmer, rancher, stockgrower, and irrigator groups, most voters in major cities, and all Democrats and Indians, will vote only for a candidate who supports the Compact.

Judge Fagg is the only Republican Senate candidate who understands Montana water law and argues for the Compact. Judge Fagg will beat Tester in November.

Get the Kindle version of my book “[Montana’s Last Indian Water Compact](#)” **free from May 14 to 18**. Tell your friends about this sale. My book is the only comprehensive, readable analysis of the Compact and what it means to Montana. It refutes every opponent claim.

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